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INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEEPROGRESS REPORTPROJECTS COMPLETED

1. SE-21: Probable Political Developments in the Republic of Panama through Mid-1952, published 24 January 1952.
2. SE-22: Consequences of Certain Possible US Courses of Action with Respect to Indochina, Burma, or Thailand, published 4 March 1952.
3. NIE-35/1: Probable Developments in Indochina through Mid-1952, published 3 March 1952.
4. NIE-46: Probable Developments in Iran in 1952 in the Absence of an Oil Settlement, published 4 February 1952.
5. NIE-50: Probable Developments in Eastern Germany through 1952, published 12 February 1952.
6. NIE-53: Probable Soviet Courses of Action with Respect to Germany during 1952, published 19 February 1952.
7. NIE-57: Probable Political Developments in the West German Situation during 1952, published 12 February 1952.
8. NIE-62: Present Political Situation in Guatemala and Possible Developments during 1952, published 11 March 1952.
9. CIA/SI 118-51: Status of the Soviet Atomic Energy Program (IAC-D-10/6)
Status: Prepared by JAEIC. Concurred in by the Atomic Energy Panel and approved by the IAC on 6 March. Published. A TS summary (CIA/SI 1185-51) is also being published.

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11. Regulation of Travel of Soviet Officials in the US (IAC-D-2/1, IAC-M-59, IAC-M-60)

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PROJECTS IN PROCESS

Intelligence Estimates

14. SE-23: Prospects for a Middle East Defense Organization

Priority: Urgent *

Status: Authorized by the IAC on 21 February at the request of the NSC Senior Staff. Terms of reference were forwarded to the IAC agencies on 28 February with the recommendation that no agency meeting be held on these. State contribution was received and a draft circulated by O/NE to the IAC representatives on 10 March.

15. NIE-27/1: Chinese Communist Capabilities and Intentions with Respect to Taiwan

Priority: High

Status: Initiated by the IAC on 24 January. On 7 February, the IAC reduced the priority and directed that scope of the present text estimate be broadened. Supplemental contributions prepared by the IAC agencies pursuant to this directive were received. A draft prepared in O/NE is being circulated to the IAC representatives on 12 March.

16. NIE-40: Potential Military, Economic, and Scientific Accretions to the USSR Resulting from the Acquisition of Western Europe before Mid-1952

Priority: Routine

Status: Scheduled by O/NE in late May (see Item 14, IAC-D-1, dated 1 November 1950). Referred for action to EIC in June, 1951. Preliminary drafts have now been received. Final meeting of the EIC on this estimate is scheduled to be held this week.

* Priorities used in decreasing order of urgency are: Crash, Urgent, High, Routine and Deferred

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17. NIE-45: Likelihood of a Soviet Attempt to Promote a Broad Relaxation of Tensions

Priority: High

Status: Initiated by O/NE and authorized by the DCI on 29 August. Awaiting draft of State.

18. NIE-47: Communist Intentions and Capabilities in Asia

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Priority: Routine

19. NIE-49: Sweden's Position in the East-West Conflict

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Priority: Routine

20. NIE-52: Probable Future Orientation of Japan

Priority: Routine

Status: Initiated by O/NE and authorized by the DCI on 11 October. Contributions have been received and a draft is being prepared in O/NE.

21. NIE-56: Likelihood of Loss of Important Economic Resources in Selected Foreign Areas

Priority: Routine

Status: A series of estimates to cover this subject authorized by the IAC on 11 October at the request of G-2. Contributions to Part I (Economic) are being handled through the EIC. Target date for submission of EIC contribution to O/NE is 15 March. IAC representatives agreed that Part II (Factors Affecting Availability) and Part III (Conclusions) would not be taken up until contributions to Part I had been received.

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22. NIE-58: Relations between the Chinese Communist Regime and the USSR: Their Present Character and Probable Future Courses

Priority: Routine

Status: Approved by the IAC (see Item 1, IAC-D-1) and scheduled by O/NE in early November. Defense agency and O/RR contributions have been received. Awaiting State contribution due on 15 February.

23. NIE-59: Relative Strategic Importance of East-West Trade to the Soviet Orbit and to the Rest of the World

Priority: Routine

Status: Initiated in response to NSC requirement (see NSC memorandum to Special Committee on East-West Trade, dated 8 October, enclosing memorandum, dated 4 October from Mr. Dulles to Executive Secretary, NSC). On 16 November, the Project was referred to the EIC by the IAC representatives. Deadline for the submission of final contribution to the EIC working group is 15 April. Target date for submission of working group draft to EIC is 15 May. Target date for review of final paper and presentation to O/NE is 30 May.

24. NIE-60
(Part I): Soviet Air Defense Capabilities

Priority: Routine

Status: Initiated by the Office of Scientific Intelligence and approved by the IAC on 1 November. A preliminary draft is being revised in O/SI pursuant to a review of it by the O/NE staff.

25. NIE-60
(Part II): Civil Defense in the USSR

Priority: Routine

Status: Requested by the Department of State and authorized by the IAC on 15 November. A preliminary staff draft was sent to the IAC agencies on 27 February requesting that comments or supplementary contributions be submitted to O/NE by 11 March. Air Force contribution received.

26. NIE-60
(Part III): Soviet Programs to Disperse Industry and Stockpile

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Status: Partially in fulfillment of State Department request (see Part II). Authorized by the IAC on 15 November. IAC representatives approved terms of reference on 27 December. The Office of Research and Reports' contribution is due on 13 March.

27. NIE-61: Consequences of the Loss of the Indian Sub-continent to Communism in the Period 1952-1953

Priority: Routine

Status: Authorized by the IAC on 20 December at the request of the Department of State. The Board of National Estimates met on terms of reference on 6 February and recommended cancellation of the project. On 25 February State indicated project was still wanted. Revised terms of reference were considered by the Board on 5 March. Staff is reconsidering.

Except as otherwise noted, the following projects were initiated by CIA and approved by SIC for production between August and December 1951.

28. Foreign Activities and Potential in Cloud Explosives

Estimated Date of Publication: April 1952

Status: Initiated by SIC in May 1951. CIA is producing draft with assistance of SIC agencies.

29. Soviet and Satellite Activities and Potential in the Production and Use of Catechol

Estimated Date of Publication: April 1952

Status: Requested by Air Force in May 1951. CIA draft, including Navy and Air Force contributions, has been forwarded to SIC agencies for review and concurrence by 17 March.

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30. Status of Soviet Medical Research

Estimated Date of Publication: July 1952.

Status: Under preparation by CIA. Contributions have been requested from SIC agencies. Will be coordinated through the JMSIC.

31. Status of Soviet Developments in the Field of Physics

Estimated Date of Publication: May 1952.

Status: Terms of Reference approved by ad hoc committee 1 December 1951. SIC agencies have been requested to make contributions by 25 March. First draft expected by 25 April.

32. Status of Soviet BW Program

Estimated Date of Publication: April 1952.

Status: Prepared by CIA; reviewed by JBWIC.

33. Status of Soviet CW Program

Estimated Date of Publication: June 1952.

Status: Under preparation by CIA with the assistance of SIC agencies through the JCWIC.

34. Status of Soviet Metallurgy Program

Estimated Date of Publication: November 1952.

Status: Terms of Reference approved by the ad hoc committee on 1 November 1951. Contributions from SIC agencies are expected by 1 September. (The part of this paper which covers Powder Metallurgy requested by SIC in May 1951 will be available separately in draft for in April.)

35. Development and Utilization of Science in the Soviet Union

Estimated Date of Publication: September 1952.

Status: CIA is producing first draft with assistance of SIC agencies.

Other Items of Concern to the Committee

36. Economic Capabilities for War of the USSR and Its Satellites

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to the Economic Intelligence Committee. On 6 November 1951, EIC set up a working group to outline and direct the project. Formulation of terms of reference for the project was completed by 11 December. The study has been divided into two phases: the first covering cold war capabilities to be completed 30 April 1952 with agency contributions due 22 March 1952 and a second covering hot war capabilities to be completed 15 June 1952 with agency contributions due 15 May 1952.

37. List of Indicators of Soviet Intentions to Initiate General War
(IAC-D-33, D-33/1, D-33/2, IAC-M-43, M-50)

Scheduled by IAC on 30 August at the request of G-2. Report of Ad Hoc Committee tentatively approved 1 November. The views of each agency resulting from further study have been received, and a report is being prepared for the IAC.

38. Dissemination of National Intelligence to Foreign Governments

Revision of NSCID 1 clarifying the authority for such release has been approved by the IAC and is awaiting NSC action. The following proposals for release of intelligence to other governments are pending decision: